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3rd Legislative Day

December 15, 1999

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The First Special Session of the 91st General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Senator Geo-Karis. Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

(Prayer by Senator Geo-Karis)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Sieben)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal. Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary, be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers moves to approved the Journal just read. There

being no objection, so ordered. Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

...President, I move that reading and approval of the Journal of Tuesday, December 14th, in the year 1999, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers moves to postpone the reading and the approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. IIS-Television has requested permission to videotape. Is the request granted? Request is granted. And the Associated Press requests permission to photograph the Senate in action. Is there leave? Leave is

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granted. The Senate will now stand in recess until 1:30. Have a great lunch.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The Senate will please come to order. WAND-TV has asked

permission to videotape. Is leave granted? Leave is granted.

Senator Karpiel, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. To announce a Republican Caucus immediately in Senator Philip's Office.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Thank you. Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

...you, Mr. President. There'll be a Democratic Caucus in Senator Jones' Office immediately, as well.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

All right.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Any idea what the -- the rest of the night...

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

I wish I did, because I certainly would like to tell you. The Senate will stand at ease, with the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Executive Committee - Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 1285; and Be Approved for Consideration - House Bill 2610.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Demuzio, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Just had a parliamentary inquiry. The inquiry is, is that we're referring Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 1285 and considering House Bill 2610. Were these included in the Governor's Proclamation for the call of the Special Session? And are they legitimately before us?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Demuzio, the language that the Senate will be considering in that legislation complies with the subject matter in the Proclamation. Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

However, the Proclamation was pretty specific with respect to only two bills. It didn't say anything about language. It limited the Session to the two bills within the call, and House Bill -- 1285 and House Bill 2610 were not on that call, regardless of whether or not the language is similar or not. So it is your ruling that they are -- are before us in the Special Session of the General Assembly. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Contents of the legislation will meet the purpose of the call in the Proclamation, Senator Demuzio. If you -- if the Members turn their attention to Senate -- Senate Calendar Supplemental No. 1, the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Beg your pardon. House Bills 2nd Reading. Senator Maitland, on House Bill 2610. Do you wish the bill read? Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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House Bill 2610.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill.

(Secretary repeats title of bill)

No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Klemm, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KLEMM:

For the purposes of an announcement, Mr. President. The Senate Executive Committee will meet tomorrow, Thursday, at 8:30 in the morning, in Room 212. That's Room 212, 8:30 a.m., tomorrow morning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

If there's no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until Thursday, December 16, at 10 a.m.